

Chicks, 5c up.

At the Greater Palais Royal.

Easter Cards, 10c doz. Real Ducks, 10c.

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Nothing to Prove Disappointing.

If the Suit or dress is decided upon, come tomorrow and have a Hat made to harmonize with it and you. With untrimmed hats and embellishments here in wholesale quantities, and with milliners of acquired reputation, you can't be disappointed here.

Bendel's Hats, \$7.50 Up to \$12.00.

Other Hats, \$2.25 Up to \$5.50.

The connoisseur milliner can distinguish the "Bendel" and the "other hats," but few can, so that whether you pay \$2.25 or \$12.00, there's to be no disappoinament. Every new shape, every new shade in French Chip, Hemp, Milan, Hair and Rough Straw Hats.

Various Trimmings, 38c to \$10.00.

Special sale prices tomorrow for the Numidi and Osprey Aigrettes, at \$2.00 to \$10.00, instead of \$2.25 to \$10.98; fancy Ostrich Feathers, \$2.50 to \$10.00, instead of \$2.98 to \$10.98; imported Wings. Dodads, Stickups and Aigrette effects, 50c to \$2.00, instead of 68c to \$2.25.

51.29
79c
65c

50c Flowers,	38c
\$1.00 Feathers,	89c
75c Feathers,	59c

The flowers include every shade of small and large roses, orchids, lilacs, bluets, forget-me-nots, pansies and foliage. The feathers comprise stick-up wings, pompons and small novelty feathers in white, black and all colors.

\$1.25 Ribbons,	\$1.00
50c Ribbons,	44c
45c Ribbons,	39c

22C 25c Ribbons

At \$1.00 yard are 9-inch-wide Two-tone Satin Ribbons, in marvelously beautiful shading. At 44c yard are 6-inch-wide Ribbons, the new satin stripes in shadings of greens, blues, browns and other colors. At 39c are the 45c Ribbons in new checks, plaids and black-and-white stripes, in all widths. At 22c are the 6-inch-wide Glace Ribbons.

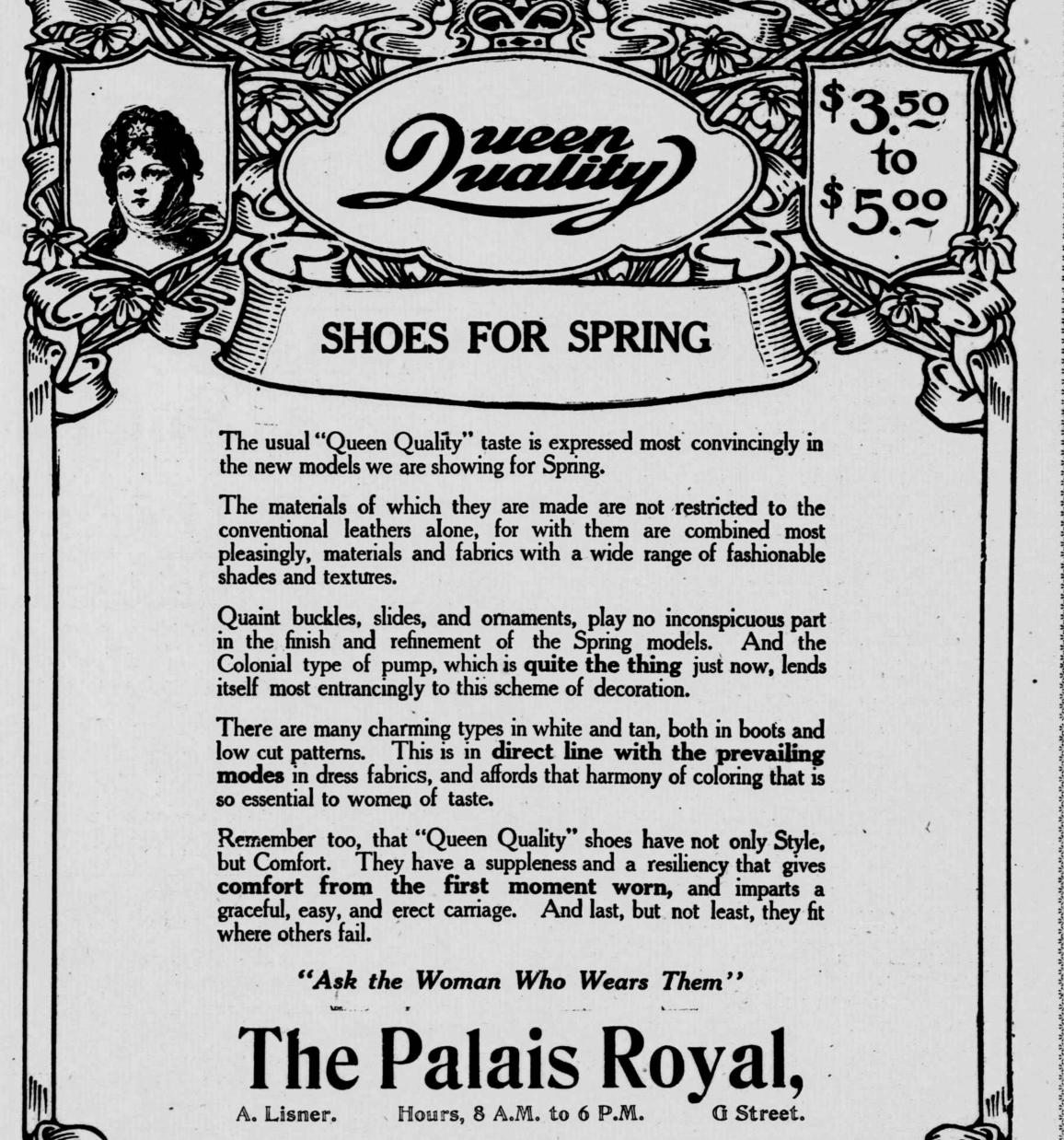
At 17c yard are the 25c Moire, Taffeta and Satin Taffeta Ribbons, Dresden effects and stripes, 5 inches wide.

Headquarters for Trimmed Hats -At \$7.50, \$10.00, \$14.00 and \$25.00.

The Palais Royal's "Milliners' Day" - today. Raining, while this was being written this morning-and yet the parlors, both public and private, are filled with enthusiastic visitors. The verdict hoped for has been awarded-The Palais Royal is headquarters for trimmed hats at \$7.50, \$10.00, \$14.00 and \$25.00.

Continued Tomorrow—"Milliners' Day."

A day of keen competition-when each Palais Royal milliner is represented with her prize creations. A day when the matter of taste and the matter of price need not trouble the visitor-when prize hats are linked with least prices. A day when the acme of style and beauty is linked with the minimum



\$25 to \$65 Paris Hats

-At 20% Per Cent Discount.

The true artist milliner is always learning-for the benefit of the Palais Royal milliners a half hundred hats were selected in Paris by the store's agent there. Having served their purpose as inspirations, each shall be sold tomorrow at onefifth less than price marked on it. Every phase of hat from the most renowned milliners of Paris is represented.

Look -for the following famous names in the hats here at \$25 to \$65: Lewis, Suzanne Talbot, Esther Meyer, Reboux, Georgette, Maison Josse.

Headquarters for Tailored Suits -At \$18.50, \$25.00, \$32.50 and \$45.00.

Sunday's Star told the story of the grand exposition and sale of White, Tan and Navy Suits at the prices quoted above. The announcement was read, evidently. Monday's visitors said it in word and deed-in praise of the garments and the purchasing of them-that the Palais Royal is headquarters for suits at \$18.50, \$25.00, \$32.50 and \$45.00. That yesterday was "the greatest day" in the history of the suit department here means much to us-and you. Please excuse this exuberant paragraph.

Suits for Every Phase of Form.

Very important-now that Easter Sunday is almost hereto know that you can come here at this late moment and almost be certain of being fitted without the change of a hook, eye, button or a stitch.

Small Sizes, Medium Sizes, Large Sizes.

Note the suits for little women or for slim or well developed girls of 14 to 20 years of age. For as little as \$12.98 are Navy Blue Serge Tailored and Norfolk Blouse Models that will fit to perfection. For women of medium size are literally scores of different styles at prices ranging from \$18.50 to \$45.00. For the woman very fully developed are suits not only to fit her with comfort, but to give the effect of comparative slimness.

Corsets Very Highly Recommended.

"Royal Worcester," "Bon Ton," \$1.00 to \$3.00. \$3.00 to \$12.00.

"Adjusto," All at \$3.00.

To tell of styles and prices is not worth while-better to invite you to these third floor parlors, where the corsetiere-inchief will fit you with your ideal. Ten minutes or less in one of the fitting rooms here will prove more instructive than the reading of pages of information. The morning hours are the least busy-can you arrange a morning visit?

Warranted Eyeglasses, \$1.00.

*Consult Dr. Samuel, Expert Optometrist-No Charge.

• OO Pair for ordinary Eyeglasses or Spectacles, and specially low rates for the complicated, fitted by Dr. Samuel, expert optometrist and optician, graduate of two leading colleges. Office in Mezzanine Balcony, first floor. No charge for consultation.

THE GOLD BAG

CAROLYN WELLS.

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CHAPTER XIV. Mr. Porter's Views.

would know where the rose leaves came from and not suspect Gregory. "Do you suspect him?"

It is impossible to describe the dismay It is impossible to describe the dismay that smote my heart at the hesitation of this answer. It was more than hesitation of this answer. It was more than hesitation of the same than he pulses, and the words, when they were thing about that lady merely by looking uttered, seemed to carry hidden mean- at her picture." ings, and to my mind they carried the As a case in point. I told her then and turned to the old subject.

to collusion between Florence Lloyd. whom I already loved, and Gregory Hall, whom I already distrusted and disliked. Guilty collusion between these two would explain everything. Theirs the motive, theirs the opportunity, theirs the denials and false witnessing. The gold bag, as deductions are always right, and if not, old one was still in existence, though he vet, remained unexplained, but the yellow rose petals and the late newspaper the rule. could be accounted for if Hall had come out on the midnight train, and Florence had helped him to enter and leave the

Bah! it was impossible. And, anyway the gold bag remained as proof against this horrid theory. I would pin my faith to the gold bag, and through its presence in the room I would defy suspicions of the two people I had resolved to protect. What do you think about the gold

"I don't know what to think. I hate graph to accuse Uncle Joseph of such a thing. but it seems as if some woman friend of Florence began, "or perhaps fifty-five. his must have come to the office after I What do you think?" pen-it was a warm night, you know- age," I returned, "and beside, I want you one could have come and gone to try your powers on this. You may be ing.

sight, and Uncle Joseph was not the sort is rather good looking, and I think she you will both tell me the truth, and the of man to have such a thing put away appreciates the fact.

She almost smiled as she said this, for,

apparently, the mere idea was amusing, Well, it should not be my fault, or due to my lack of exertion, if the day did not came into her eyes, and promised myself I should be there to see o me like a lovely child afraid it. But, stifling these thoughts, I brought mind back to duty. Drawing from my pocket the photograph I had found in Mr.

Crawford's desk, I showed it to her. "In uncle's desk!" she exclaimed This does surprise me. I had no idea And as I didn't Uncle Joseph had received a photograph from a lady with an affectionate mes-

"I only know that we found it in h's

"I told you why," she said: "so you ly escaped the bondage which held them tective, you ought to gather at once from "N-no, of course not. But others tails about this lady; who she is and what this photograph and signature all the de-

she had to do with Uncle Joseph." conflict of unspoken im- it, and would tell you, as you say, every- heart.

worst and most sinister meaning con- there the story of Fleming Stone's wonderful deductions from the pair of muddy

true?" she asked, her dark eyes sparkling in his possession? with interest and her face alight with animation you know it is the exception that proves didn't exactly say so." the rule." "Miss Lloyd, this is important evidence.

"Well, let us try to deduce a little from this picture. I don't believe for a mo-ment that Uncle Joseph had a romantic ment that Uncle Joseph had a romantic It seems to me to prove that your uncle attachment for any lady, though these did not himself destroy the will." words on the back of the picture do seem to indicate it. "Well, go on," said I, so carried away

by the fascination of the girl when she had for a moment seemed to forget her paper ashes in the grate. troubles that I wanted to prolong the "Go ahead and see what inferences you can draw from the photo-

"I think she is about fifty years old," The long French windows were "I wouldn't presume to guess a lady's

"The first is evident on the face of it, forts and work your own undoing.

She flashed me a glance of understand-"The gown also was not made

by a competent modiste, but was made! a dressmaker in the house, who came iomical turn of mind, because the lace oke of the gown is an old one, and has even been darned to make it presentable

"Now, that is deduction," I said, admiringly; "the only trouble is that it doesn't do us much good. Somehow I can't seem to fancy this good-looking, economical, middle-aged lady, who has her dressmaking done at home, coming here in the middle of the night and killing

"No, I can't, either," said Florence, "but then I can't imagine any one else doing that, either. It seems like a horrible dream, and I can't realize that it really happened to Uncle Joseph." "But it did happen and we must find the guilty person. I think with you, that this

are quite sure it isn't yours?" question, but the look of indignation she gave me helped to convince me that the bag was not hers. "I told you it was not." she said, "but," and her eyes fell, "since I have confessed to one falsehood, of course you cannot believe my statement.

thoroughly said, smiling sadly, "that any one who wicked-but I was so fright- desk, hidden beneath some old letters and can tell you that it is not customary to rather, in a neglige costume, for I had taken off my evening gown and wore a

> ated by little smiles, and her half sad, half gay demeanor bewitched me. I felt. sure that what little suggestion of lightheartedness had come into her mood had come because she had at last confessed that half smile came into his eyes.

But there were still important questions to be asked, so, though unwillingly, I re-

"Did he talk about "Why, yes; I think so. That is, he said he would make a new one unless I said he would make a new one unless I Philadelphia Detective Dies must tell you that I shall be obliged to repeat much of it to the district attorney.

"I can't think it, for it is not in scraps in the waste basket, nor are there any destroy it it may yet be found. "You wish that very much?" I said, almost involuntarily.

She paused and I finished the sentence

for her: "For Mr. Hall." She looked angry again, but said noth-"The bag wasn't there when you were already confessed to you my inability in power in your behalf and in behalf of Johnson, a juror, who committed suibetter at deductions than I am. I have "Weil." she went on, "I think this lady Mr. Hall. But I tell you frankly, unless whole truth, you will only defeat my ef-"Forgive the insinuation, but of course you haven't really deduced much as yet." this, for I could not look on that sweet not free his mind of it. you could not know positively that Mr. Crawford would not have a feminine souvenir in his desk."

She looked up surprised. "Of course I ture was taken, or, at least, that costume she said, tremblingly. "I will try to make"

as made, about a year ago, for that is Mr. Hall tell where he was that night.

curtly, I fear, and went quickly away from that perilous presence.

Truly, a nice detective, I! Bowled over by a fair face, I was unable to think clearly, to judge logically, or to work honestly!

of B. F. Pitezel, a Callowhill street chemist, and of three Pitezel children. The murders had been committed for insurance money, and were cleverly devised and covered. His investigation

by myself. Away from her influence I Holmes had shipped the bodies of two When I reached the inn I found Mr. Lemuel Porter there waiting for me.

"How do you do, Mr. Burroughs?" he said, pleasantly. "Have you time for a It was just what I wanted. A talk with

this clear-thinking man would help me, indeed, and I determined to get his opinions, even as I was ready to give him "Well, what do you think about it all?"

were in no danger from listening ears and I awaited his reply with interest

And so, as you are the detective in charge guard now

"It need not incriminate her if it were tea gown. I should not think of going knocking the ash from his cigar. anywhere in a tea gown and carrying a might have left it in the office at any Women are always leaving such things The girl had seemingly grown almost light hearted. Her speech was punctu-

you were there?" I asked, suddenly. He looked up at me quickly and again (To be continued tomorrow.)

OF MURDERER'S CURSE

Believing He Was the Seventh Victim.

PHILADELPHIA, April 2.—Detective Thomas Crawford died here yesterday believing himself a victim to the curse of H. H. Holmes, who confessed before 1896, that he was responsible for the murders of forty-seven yersons.

At the time of his conviction Holmes meet financial ruin or quick or violent in the mortality list. Several others seriously ill. He became worried when he read of Johnson's death, and could

Depressed by Fear. One day he said to his family:

was impossible to cheer him up. of B. F. Pitezel, a Callowhill street

insurance money, and were cleverly devised and covered. His investigation took Crawford as far as Toronto, where would regain my cool-headed of the children. It was after Crawford's testimony in court, which made the case complete, that Holmes uttered his sweeping curse.

Fate of Others.

Judge Michael Arnold, who presided at the trial, was soon afterward afflicted in agony for one year. Linford L. Biles, foreman of the jury, was killed by a live wire in a storm. Superintendent Howard inquired, after we were comfortably Perkins of Moyamening prison broke down and killed himself. Another prison official, Robert Motherwell, committed suicide, and two keepers dropped dead. William A. Shoemaker, senior counsel for Holmes, has been disbarred from practice.

DUEL WITH WAX BULLETS.

Feature of Fort Myer Benefit for the Olympic Team Fund.

of the benefit performances to be held a Fort Myer Friday afternoon and evening of this week for the benefit of the Olym-

back with pistols loaded with wax bularmor, and owing to the light charge and soft bullet there will be no danger to the spectators.

The other added feature is the entry of woman riders in the high jumping con-tests—members of families of army offi-cers stationed in Washington.

William Gill Found Dead in Room.

Decide on a Colorado Vacation

out to Colorado, but somehow always put it off. I'd like to have you go this year and see what a fine time you will have and how well you will feel for the outing. Colorado isn't just a place for sick folks, either-it's a place for everybody who enjoys good air and the most beautiful scenery that all outdoors affords. I can take you to places in Colorado that Europe would give a million dollars to get, but the Old World can't have them-they're ours to enjoy here in

but pleasure from the very start if you select the right road to go on, the "Burlington Route." There are no more com fortable trains in the world than those in the Burlington service to Colorado.

Drop me a postal and I'll send you our later titerature about Colorado, showing some wonderful pictures and introducing you to scores of places where you can spend an economical and restful vacation, prices for board, names and post office addresses of proprietors and full particulars. You can leave all details for this trip to me. Even to engaging your berth and delivering your tickets. Write me a postal now. I'll send you maps, pamphlets and pictures by return mail. Wm. Austin. General Agent Passenger Dept. C., B. & Q. R. R. Co., 836 Chestnut st., Philadelphia. fortable trains in the world than those

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Pure Lard, best grade, per lb.....120 Bread, loaf, 4c; 3 loaves for...... R. & C. Flour, per bag, 20c and......39c Sanitary Flour; 24-pound bag, special low price, to induce you to buy a large pkg.85c Sanitary Flour, full barrel, wood.....\$6.60

Granulated Sugar, Lt., 6c

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23c, 25c, 28c, 32c, 35c 38c

Best values in Washington at these prices. Try any one kind and be convinced.

A Big Snap in California Prunes Sweet, Meaty Prunes, that have been selling at 10c per pound, special till Satur-

day's closing, per pound.....5c

Watervale Whole Grain Corn, 4 cans....25e Carroll Manor Corn, 4 cans.....25c Hermit Peas, per can...... 7c Brownie Lima Beans, per can..... 8c Small can River Peas, per can...... 9c This is the best bargain in canned peas we are of-

Get a Big Pint of Cocoa

A real Mason Fruit Jar, full of high-This Cocoa is absolutely guaranteed. Get your Cocoa at a big saving and lay in a supply of Fruit Jars FREE.

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Ginger Snaps, per pound..... 8c Cream Jumbles, per pound......150 A big line of Fancy Cakes at special prices. Lenox Soap, 8 cakes for.....25c Star Soap, 6 cakes for.....25c

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Begin saving Star Wrappers for new special of-fers which you can soon secure at the premium parlors.

The finest grades only. You know what these same grades sell for elsewhere. No. 1, square cans Selected Green Tips...20c Tall Cans, strictly standard goods.....20c

Snappy Cheese . . . 10c

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The Best Corn Flake That Can Be Made, and a 50% Larger Package Than Any Other. 3 Packages for 25c